



PATENT
Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 03715.0123-02
(Formerly 03806.0449-02)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
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Michel BUREAU et al.)	Group Art Unit: 1632
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Application No.: 09/986,033)	Examiner: Joseph T. Voitach
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Filed: November 7, 2001)	
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For: A METHOD FOR)	
TRANSFERRING NUCLEIC ACID)	
INTO STRIATED MUSCLES)	

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

Applicants now reply to the Office Action mailed October 23, 2003. The period for response is extended until March 23, 2004, by the attached Petition for a Two-Month Extension of Time and fee payment. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification are listed at page 3.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper, beginning at page 4.

Remarks/Arguments follow the amendment sections of this paper.

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Attachments to this Reply include:

an **Information Disclosure Statement**, together with a PTO Form 1449
and 53 documents,

a duplicate copy of the **Declaration** of the inventors, filed in Application
No. 09/341,350, and

a **Certified Translation of French Application No. 97/08233**, filed June
30, 1997.